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PREFACE

Although the manuscripts from which the following pages are printed have no name attatched, they are in the handwriting of Nathaniel Goodwin, of Hartford, Conn., who it is supposed made the journey's at the dates mentioned.

The manuscripts are printed with the hope they may prove of value to some one interested in the history of the past.

Nathaniel Goodwin was born in Hartford, Connecticut, March 5, 1782 In his youth he learned the printers trade, he also taught school and was a land-surveyor. He was treasurer of the city of Hartford for a number of years. He became interested in the subject of genealogy and collected material for family histories which have been published. He died at Hartford, May 29, 1855.

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A Journey From Hartford To Niagara Falls In 1828.

Monday August 25, 1828, I left home for the State of New York.

Monday night, 12 o'clock reached Pittsfield,— company in the stage —a young lady and gentleman, bound to Ohio, and a lady with an infant child to Pittsfield.

Tuesday, 26. Lebonon Springs to breakfast, took in at the Springs, a gentleman his wife and 2 daughters for Albany, Reached Albany at 2 P. M.

Wednesday 27. went to Schenectady, dined there, took the packet boatafter dinner for Utica. Thursday 28, about 3 P. M. took tea at Canal coffee house, a great company at table, and left at 7 P. M. At 12 at night came on board 2 stage loads of passengers from Utica, amongst them Mr. Peck, Mrs. Peck and Miss Barnes, for Rochester.

Saturday 30, 4 o'clock left the boat at Pittsford a few miles out of Rochester. Stop't at Acres inn, where tarried during the Sabbath 31 st. Sunday evening were called for by Judge Barnard of Mendon.

Spent Monday 1st. Sept. with him and family, and on Tuesday the 2d, about 11 accompanied by Mr. & Mrs. Barnard took a packet boat at Pittsford, and proceeded west. Reached Rochester in the evening of the same day,

Wednesday 3d, 12 at night reached Buffalo. Thursday morning 4th went to Eagle tavern, tarried to breakfast and dinner, afternoon rode to Niagara Falls and took lodgngs at Forsyth's at 7 evening. Present: parties from New York, Canada and Washington City. Mr. Wirt and 2 daughters.

Friday 5th visited the deep cut in the Welland canal. Viewed the falls, went to the American side, on to Goat Island. paper mill, bones of the natives, impression of a bears foot on a stone.

Saturday 6th, Left Forsyth's for Lockport passed in sight of the ground on which was fought the battle of Niagara Qeenstown, Brock's monument, crossed the Niagara at Queenstown, reached Lockport to dine. Had for stage company a Mr. Williams of Pennsylvania.

Left Judge Barnard and wife at Lockport and proceeded east in the Cana packet at about 2 P. M.

Sunday morning about 7 o'clock reached Rochester, where spent the Sabbath, attended the Episcopal Church, staid at the Rochester House, kept by Mr. Noyse formerly of Stonington, Conn. D. D. Barnard and & Lady, Mr. Talmam & Lady. Mr. & Mrs. Peck, George Terry, Messrs Barnard and Robbins, Miss Perkins, Mr. & Mrs. Bissell, Mr, Thompson.

Monday 8th. continued in Rochester, evening arrived Mr and Mrs. Barnard. Tuesday morning 9th, left in the stage for Pittsford, which place reached about 11 o'clock

and parted with Mr. & Mrs. Barnard, Acres, Hopkins. Same day about 12 took the Packet boat. Passengers Mr. & Mrs Talman came on board, during the passage, Mrs. Wright of Syracuse.

Wednesday 10th, noon reached Syracuse where Mr. & Mrs Talman left. Came on board the Canada parties whom we had seen at the Falls.

Thursday morning 11th. about 8 reached Utica where were joined by sundry others, amongst whom were Mr. Dewett and son of Albany.

Friday morning 12th. about 8 reached Schenectady, took breakfast at the hotel. Judges Thompson & Duer, many strangers, after breakfast, to Albany, which reached about 11 A. M. Dined, and at 3 left in a coachee and rode 15 miles on the stage rout toward home, and stop't for the night at Tobias inn in Chatham. Mrs. Tobias' daughter in law, Miss Van Vol Vanbergh, niece to Mrs. Tobias

Saturday morning 13th, about 6 took the stage, which had then arrived from Albany, and reached home about 10 P. M.

Hartford To Mendon And Return

There has been preserved the memorandum of a trip to Mendon, N. Y, the home of Mr. Barnard, where after a short sojourn the return was made. As the names of the tavern-keepers are given it may be of interest to insert it here.

Thursday 6 Sept. in the morning left Hartford, for Mendon.

New Hartford, Seymour, dined, 20m.
Canaan, Pease lodged 18

Friday 7 Sept.

Sheffield Ensign breakfast 9
Greenbush Younghanse, lodged 35

Saturday 8 Sept.

Albany Skinner. breakfast. 9
Schenectady. 15
Amsterdam, Groats. 15

Sunday 9 Sept.

Johnstown, Conyne, breakfast 11
Manheim, at the bridge over East Canada Creek, Mason, lodge 22

Monday 10 Sept.

Little falls,	Myers,	breakfast	10
Whites borough——		lodge—	24

Tuesday 11 Sept.

Vernon.	I. Dyer,	breakfast.	12
Salina,	Corset,	lodge	27

Wednesday. 12

————	Brockway,	breakfast.	6
Seneca falls,	Erwin, to	lodge	28

Thursday. 13.

Geneva—		breakfast	14
East Bloomfield,	Carter,	lodge—	25

Friday 14. Arrived at Mr. Barnard about 11 in the morning. 11

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Returning

Tuesday 25 Sept. 1821.

Left Canandugua,	Coe,	lodge	14

Wednesday, 26

Phelps,	Beall,	breakfast,	15
Auburn,	Coe,	lodge	25

Thursday, 27.			
Skeneateles Lake,		breakfast.	6
Pompey,	Morley,	lodge, about	35
Friday, 28.			
Sangerfield	North to	lodge	34
Saturday 29.			
Winfield.	Pendergrass,	breakfast,	12
Sharon	Butler,	lodge	29
Sunday, 30.			
Schorarie,	Huntington,	breakfast	10
Germans, Guilderland.		lodge	21
Monday, October, 1			
Skinners	Albany	breakfast	14
Tuesday 2.			
Greenbush,	Younghanse,	breakfast	9
Barrington—		to sleep	29
Wednesday, 3.			m
Sheffield	Dewey,	breakfast	11
Marshal		lodge—	35
Thursday, 4.			
Home ———			9
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